

SCS SJR 27 -- Electronic Communications and Data

SPONSOR: Schaaf (Curtman)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Downsizing State Government by a vote of 13 to 0.

Upon voter approval, this proposed constitutional amendment specifies that a person's electronic communication and data are protected from unreasonable searches and seizures performed by the government. The amendment specifies that prior to issuance, a warrant must describe the data or communication to be accessed and be supported by probable cause.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this would add electronic communications and data to the list of protections in our Constitution as items that are protected from unreasonable searches and seizures. Our right to privacy is currently being attacked at every front.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Schaaf and Missouri Family Network.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.